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PROMINENT CITIZEN
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The following expression, from a prominent Henry County man, fully explains itself:
Hermleigh, Tex., Oct. 19, 1915.
Ed. M. M. Melton:
Dear Sir:
I write this to let you know that I have been greatly benefitted by the use of VITONA and can recommend it as being all that you claim for it. I am 46 years old and feel better than I have felt for several years.
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PRAIRIE DOG AND JACK RABBIT DESTRUCTION

During the week several places in the county have been visited but the most influential meeting and demonstration took place at Fluvanna last Friday and Saturday.

On Friday afternoon Mr. Ernest G. Holt of the Bureau of Biological Survey, accompanied by Wm. Pearri of Snyder Chamber of Commerce, met a number of farmers in the Public School auditorium.

On the meeting being called to order addresses were given by Mr. Holt on the protection of birds and the destruction of the prairie dog, rabbits and other pests common to this part of the state. This address was followed by Mr. Pearri who emphasized the need of concerted action on the part of all land owners in dog poisoning. The difficulty that presented itself, he said, was not that the farmer did not poison the dogs on his place, but that all the farmers in a given locality did not put out his poison at the same time. If all worked together the dogs would be exterminated at one time, so preventing the migrating from one farm to another.

Advised that a poisoning association be formed, which was readily agreed to, with the result that D. A. Jones was elected president and J. A. Staveley secretary. All present enlisted as members, and it was determined to use every means possible to get the co-operation of all the land owners to get rid of their dogs at one time.

On Saturday morning about thirty farmers met for a demonstration in poison mixing by Mr. Holt and these men promised to clean up their infested lands to the extent of at least 24,452 acres of prairie dogs.

This move at Fluvanna in what is needed all over the county and in the adjoining counties. We Scurry county farmers are awaiting to the fact that at least 160,000 is being lost to the county as the result of the pests that prey on the crop and that with a small outlay this loss can be saved.

The visit of the government demonstrator to Fluvanna was made very profitable and pleasant for the visitors and all who took part in the bringing into existence of the new organization and great results are looked for.

At a meeting at Hermleigh on Wednesday, Mr. Holt gave a demonstration to a number of farmers and land owners. Addresses were delivered on the work of the Biological Survey by Mr. Holt and Mr. Pearri spoke on the need of organization and concerted action. The result was that a poisoning association was formed with W. A. Scrivner president, John Browning, vice president, and Luther Edmundson, Secretary.

All present became members and pledged to destroy the dogs on their property.

The following formulas are those recommended by the Biological Survey and used by Mr. Holt.

Directions for Poisoning Prairie Dogs
Dissolve one ounce of Strychnine Sulphate in 1 1/2 pints of boiling water. Thicken this solution to the consistency of molasses by stirring in a small quantity of glucose starch previously mixed with a little cold water. Add one ounce of baking soda, 1-4 ounce saccharine and 1-4 pint corn syrup or heavy molasses and mix thoroughly. Pour over 12 quarts of milo maize or feterita and work thoroughly until every grain is coated and there are no lumps. Prepare about 24 hours before using and stir occasionally until nearly dry.

To dissolve strychnine alkaloid in above poison add 1-4 pint vinegar for every ounce of strychnine used.

For mixing small quantities an ordinary galvanized wash tub is convenient. Larger quantities, as 200 quarts of grain, may be prepared at one time in a tight, smooth box by mixing with a spade.

The best results come from distributing the poisoned grain at the time food for prairie dogs is scarce. Each quart of prepared grain is sufficient to treat about 40 holes and if thinly scattered on clean, hard places about the dog mounds, this quantity will not endanger stock.

Preparation for Poisoning Jack Rabbits.
Poisoned Alfalfa Hay:
Dissolve 1 ounce of strychnine in 2 gallons of hot water and sprinkle over 15 pounds of good leafy hay, chopped into 1 or 2 inch lengths. The poisoned hay may be scattered in very small quantities along rabbit trails or exposed in small heaps in locations from which stock is excluded.

Poisoned Chaff:
Mix 1 tablespoonful of starch in 1/4 a teacup of cold water and stir into

1 pint of boiling water to make a thick, clear paste. Mix 1 ounce of powdered strychnine with 1 ounce of powdered bicarbonate of soda, and stir with the starch to a smooth, creamy mass. Stir in 1-10 of an ounce of saccharine. Apply to 12 quarts of good clean oats and mix thoroughly to coat each kernel.

Scatter sparingly along rabbit trails, about a tablespoonful at each place, or expose more liberally where stock is not endangered.

(Milo maize or feterita will probably be found about as effective as oats.)

Star-Telegram \$3.25.
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Santa Claus Letters.
It is just a few days now till Christmas and the little folks are being just as good as they can and are wondering already what Old Santa is going to bring. The old fellow will be loaded down this year and will bring most anything the children want if he knows what. The Signal wants to help in the matter and will print letters from the children in time for Santa Claus to see them.

Send your letters in not later than Wednesday afternoon of next week so they can be printed in the big Christmas number of the Signal.

You can get Cristo Lord at Townsend, Oldham & Co.

E. G. Trueblood and family, late of Weatherford are here with his father O. P. Trueblood.

Trico, Townsend, Oldham & Co., handled it.

Messrs. Shelby, father and brother of Jim Shelby, of the Taylor Jewelry Store were in Snyder Thursday.

The Baptist Ladies will have a fine line of suitable Christmas Gifts on display Tuesday and Wednesday at their Bazaar at Smith's Confectionery.

Mr. T. J. Broxson is a wide-awake, progressive citizen and a good judge of reading matter, by which he keeps fully abreast of everything that is going on at home and abroad. He came in one day this week and deposited a check for five dollars to get the Snyder Signal, the Star-Telegram and the Dallas News for a year.

Don't fail to visit the Baptist Ladies Bazaar at Smith's Confectionery Tuesday and Wednesday.

Notice to Tax Payers.
I will be at the following places at the time stated below, for the purpose of collecting state and county taxes for the year 1915.
Fluvanna, Dec. 11 1915.
Hermleigh, Dec. 18, 1915.
SPECIAL NOTICE—In ordering poll tax paid by agent, be sure to add 25 cents for Federal Revenue stamp.
W. M. CURRY,
Tax Collector.

The Jury in the Federal Court that tried Tom Watson, charged with sending obscene matter through the mails failed to agree. Two wanted to hold him guilty and ten wanted to acquit him.

Dr. Smith, Practice limited to the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and the Scientific Adjustment of Glasses, Office over the Owl Drug Store.

Harry K. Sinclair, publisher of the Plains Producer is in Snyder this week in the interest of his publication. He is making the Plains Producer a magnificent journal.

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Miss Beatrice Sears, who is teaching music at Clairmont is at home for the holidays.

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